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**DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES
MINING SECTION**

**Public Participation Opportunities
Request for Public Comments
Draft Permit Actions**

October 14, 2016

Public Notice: M2016-17

Last Day to Comment: November 15, 2016

The purpose of this notice is to advise the public of the following draft environmental permits and to solicit comments and information necessary to evaluate the potential impact of the proposed activities on human health and the environment. The draft permits are available on the Division's *Data Viewer* at the web address: http://environment-online.tn.gov:8080/pls/enf_reports/f?p=9034:34001.

The Division has made the determination that the following NPDES permit applications are complete as required by Rule 0400-40-03-.06(1)(c).

Individual NPDES Permits

Coal Reissuance

Applicant	Middlesboro Mining Operations, Inc.		
Facility	Mingo Deep Mine 1		
Permit Number	TN0079359	Permit Writer Initials	DAT
		Discharge Rating	Minor
County	Claiborne	EFO Name	Knoxville
Street Address	34 Appolo Road		
City and Zip Code	Manring 37729		
Description of Activity	Bituminous Coal Underground Mining		
Effluent Description	Treated wastewater and storm water		
Receiving Stream	Wet Weather Conveyance to Watson Branch		
Facility Location	Latitude	Longitude	
	36.57778		-83.77778

Non-Coal Issuance

Applicant	Rocky Ridge Stone Company, LLC		
Facility	Dimension Stone Processing Facility		
Permit Number	TN0070122	Permit Writer Initials	MES
		Discharge Rating	Minor
County	Cumberland	EFO Name	Cookeville
Street Address	Rock Quarry Road		
City and Zip Code	Crossville 38557		
Description of Activity	Dimension Stone Quarrying		
Effluent Description	Treated wastewater and storm water		
Receiving Stream	Muddy Branch		
Facility Location	Latitude	Longitude	
	35.944444		-84.983889

Non-Coal Modification

Applicant	Teague Transports, LLC				
Facility	Jackson Quarry				
Permit Number	TN0070807	Permit Writer Initials	JIF	Discharge Rating	Minor
County	Madison			EFO Name	Jackson
Street Address	813 Airways Boulevard				
City and Zip Code	Jackson 38301				
Description of Activity	Industrial Sand Mining				
Effluent Description	Treated wastewater and storm water				
Receiving Stream	Hicks Creek, Pond 1				
Facility Location	Latitude	36.621725	Longitude	-88.867848	

Non-Coal Reissuance

Applicant	H. C. Spinks Clay Company, Inc. dba Lhoist North America				
Facility	Mine 30-Grable				
Permit Number	TN0072800	Permit Writer Initials	JIF	Discharge Rating	Minor
County	Henry			EFO Name	Jackson
Street Address	Ben Smith Road				
City and Zip Code	Henry 38321				
Description of Activity	Ball Clay Mining				
Effluent Description	Treated wastewater and storm water				
Receiving Stream	Unnamed tributaries to Spring Creek				
Facility Location	Latitude	36.194222	Longitude	-88.464226	

Non-Coal Modification/Revocation and Reissuance

Applicant	Aggregates USA (Tri-Cities Airport), LLC				
Facility	Tri-Cities Quarry				
Permit Number	TN0027588	Permit Writer Initials	JIF	Discharge Rating	Minor
County	Sullivan			EFO Name	Johnson City
Street Address	736 Centenary Road				
City and Zip Code	Blountville 37617				
Description of Activity	Crushed and Broken Limestone Mining				
Effluent Description	Treated wastewater and storm water				
Receiving Stream	Unnamed tributary to South Fork of Holston River (Patrick Henry Reservoir)				
Facility Location	Latitude	36.486833	Longitude	-82.438417	

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How to Comment:

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) is requesting public comments on the permit actions. Obtaining a broad range of facts and opinions on Agency actions is one of the best ways to ensure quality decisions. Persons wishing to comment on the proposed actions may submit comments in writing to the Mining Section at the Knoxville Environmental Field Office, Attn: Public Notice Coordinator; by fax (865) 594-6105; or by e-mail Gary.Mullins@tn.gov. The Division must receive your comments before the close of the comment period (see page 1).

How to Request a Public Hearing:

Interested persons may request in writing that the Director of the Division of Water Resources hold a public hearing on any application. The Division must receive your request before the close of the comment period. You must indicate the interest of the party filing it and the reasons for the hearing. When there is significant public interest for a hearing, the Division will hold a hearing in accordance with *Rule 0400-40-05-.06 (12)*. A separate public notice will announce the public hearing.

How the Department Will Proceed:

The Director of the Division of Water Resources will determine the final permit action after considering comments submitted during the comment period, the hearing record, if any, and the requirements of Federal and State acts and regulations.

To Obtain Permit Details:

Draft permits contain Antidegradation Determinations and Rationales that address information concerning the foundation for the Division's decisions. Copies of the applications, draft permits, and supporting documentation are in the permit files maintained at the Knoxville Environmental Field Office, Mining Section. There is a nominal fee for copying. The files are available for public inspection during normal visiting hours. Please email Kara.Blevins@tn.gov or call (865) 594-5460 to schedule an appointment for the review.

State of Tennessee Antidegradation Policy

Tennessee's Antidegradation Statement is in *Rule 0400-40-03-.06* of the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation. The primary purpose of the Antidegradation Policy is to establish a greater level of protection for high quality waters. Some high quality waters are in near-pristine condition. Others are determined to be high quality due to specialized uses and/or unique features.

Generally, there are two types of high quality waters. Outstanding National Resource Waters (ONRWs) receive the greatest level of protection. The Board of Water Quality, Oil and Gas designate these waters. New discharges or expansion of existing discharges cannot degrade existing water quality.

The Department identifies other high quality waters known as Exceptional Tennessee Water (ETW) and protects against their degradation. The Department may allow some degradation if the Department deems it economically and socially necessary.

Non-Exceptional Tennessee Water refers to surface waters that do not have the identification and/or designation as high quality. These waters must achieve and maintain Tennessee's Water Quality Standards.

State of Tennessee Policy of Non-Discrimination

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